

Commissioner Stewart and Other State Regulators Visit Capitol Hill

Commissioner Karen Weldin Stewart and fellow members of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) met in Washington, D.C. last week to confer with members of Congress about ongoing insurance-related efforts.

More than 36 state insurance regulators gathered for the NAIC Washington Forum where they were briefed by the Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and Deputy Treasury Secretary Neal S. Wolin. Representative Judy Biggert(R-IL), chairperson of the House Financial Services Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, also presented to the NAIC members.

Commissioner Stewart met with staff from all three members of the Delaware Congressional delegation and spoke directly with U.S. Senator Tom Carper and U.S. Congressman John Carney. Topics discussed were:

- Dodd–Frank reform provisions such as the Federal Insurance Office and the Financial Services Oversight Council.
- The reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program.
- State implementation efforts for health care reform.
- Constituent outreach and education on Medicare and ElderInfo efforts.

“Delaware is fortunate to have Congressional delegation members that care about how the decisions they make in Washington are impacting what is happening in Delaware,” said Commissioner Stewart. “As Insurance Commissioner, it is my job to ensure that policymakers are aware, consumers are

protected, and a competitive insurance market continues to exist in our state. Last week's visit assists the Department of Insurance in serving Delawareans in all three areas."